

Freshman Orientation

Monday, August 28, 2006 6:30 p.m.

SHS Food Services 2006-2007**Breakfast Program**

Breakfast is offered daily at the high school. The menu includes a hot entrée and a variety of cereals, fruits, pastries, morning breads, yogurts, juice and milk. All meals meet the USDA requirements for good nutrition. The cost of breakfast is \$1.25. A reduced price breakfast is \$.30. Breakfast items are also available a-la-carte.

Lunch Program

Lunch is offered daily at the high school. A hot sandwich, hot entrée, salad bar, deli bar, fruit and dessert bar, soup and grab and go meals are offered each day. All meals meet the USDA nutritional guidelines. The cost of lunch is \$3.00. Reduced price is \$.40. Lunch items are also available al-la-carte.

Free and Reduced Breakfast/Lunch Applications

The application is included in this mailing. Applications must be submitted yearly. To obtain an application during the school year, please call the Food Service office at 508 841-8819. Eligibility is governed by Department of Education guidelines. A written notification will be sent to all families qualifying for these programs.

Prepaid Lunch Plan

A book of 20 - \$3.00 lunch tickets is \$60.00. Tickets for the high school are green. To purchase tickets send a self addressed, stamped envelope along with your check for the number of books requested to: Shrewsbury School Food Service, 64 Holden St., Shrewsbury, MA 01545. Tickets will be mailed to you. Tickets are non-refundable.

Tickets may also be purchased at the School Department Office, 100 Maple Ave., Monday – Friday from *8:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. Tickets must be purchased by the book. Tickets will be honored from year to year. Checks will be the only type of payment accepted – no cash or credit cards.

Please contact the Food Service Department with any questions, suggestions, or ideas. The Food Service Department is located at the high school, 64 Holden St. Shrewsbury, MA 01545. Phone: 508 841-8819. The high school's kitchen manager's number: 508 841-8681.

Please visit our web page on the Shrewsbury home page at www.ci.shrewsbury.ma.us.

Upcoming Dates

8/30	First day of school	
8/31	School Pictures	
9/1	School Pictures	
9/4	Labor Day, no school	
9/5	School Pictures	
9/10	Music Drive	
9/12	Fall play auditions	
9/13	Fall play auditions	
9/21	Senior Nuts & Bolts Night (college application process)	7:00 p.m.
9/25	Hilton Photography /Seniors	
10/5	Parents' Night	7:00 p.m.
10/9	Columbus Day, no school	
10/25	Fall Concert	7:30 p.m.
11/6	Fall Play for senior citizens	7:00 p.m.
11/7	Parent Conferences, no school	
11/17	Fall Play	7:00 p.m.
11/18	Fall Play	7:00 p.m.
11/19	Fall Play	2:00 p.m.
11/22 -11/24	Thanksgiving vacation	

Student Absences**Attendance Office 508 841-8809**

Regular attendance is an essential part of each student's educational experience. Daily contact with teachers and other students is a vital part of each student's intellectual and social growth. Regular attendance and participation in class should lead to a valuable learning experience; the faculty and administration believe that this participation is an essential part of learning and grade evaluation. A lack of responsibility and commitment will result in a loss of credit.

The parent or guardian is expected to call when a student is absent from school. Students must submit a note to the attendance office the day the student returns to school. No notes will be accepted beyond three days after the student's return to school.

Please find more information regarding attendance in the Student/Parent Handbook Planner p. 14-16.

Volunteers

We encourage every parent to remain involved with the high school through Parent Forum activities as well as volunteering in the school. If you want to volunteer, please contact one of the Parent Forum coordinators listed below:

Nancy Donahue	842-4557
Lisa Easson	842-7133
Penney McClaren	842-2392

Expectations for Student Learning

During our June faculty meeting the staff agreed in principle to adjust Shrewsbury High School's Expectations for Student Learning. This adjustment was the result of the recommendations outlined by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. The New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) is the organization that reviews and evaluates schools and colleges on selected standards every ten years and provides each school its accreditation. The status of a school's accreditation can affect federal and state funding and certifies that graduating students are leaving a school that meets or exceeds high standards. One of these standards includes the school's Mission Statement and Expectations for Student Learning.

The NEASC recommended that Shrewsbury High School review and adjust our Expectations for Student Learning to align with this recently revised NEASC standard. Staff members serving on Shrewsbury High School's Assessment Committee met regularly throughout the 2005-2006 school year to determine and recommend the appropriate adjustments to the Expectations for Student Learning. As the Assessment Committee examined the Expectations, they had to work within the parameters set forth by the NEASC, which included the division of the Expectations into three specific categories. These categories are Academic Expectations, Social Expectations and Civic Expectations. Additionally, these Expectations must be measurable. To achieve this, rubrics will be developed as tools to measure each student's progress toward meeting these Expectations. The ultimate goal will be to have every graduate from Shrewsbury High School demonstrates that they meet or exceed each Expectation for Student Learning.

As a result of the Assessment Committee's work and presentation, the faculty agreed to accept the adjustments with the understanding that the Expectations would be consistently reviewed and adjusted where necessary. The following is a copy of the Shrewsbury High School's Mission Statement and adjusted Expectations for Student Learning.

Shrewsbury High School Mission Statement

The Shrewsbury High School community provides challenging, diverse learning opportunities, promotes creativity and independent thinking and empowers students to become capable, caring, and active contributors to the world in which they live.

Expectations for Student Learning

Academic Expectations

Students at Shrewsbury High School will:

- Apply critical thinking and creative literacy skills to formulate and express opinions in a variety of ways.
- Demonstrate mathematical and scientific literacy while using problem solving and reasoning skills.

- Exhibit effective speaking, writing and reading skills.
- Demonstrate a variety of technological skills.
- Develop and maintain positive health and fitness habits.

Social Expectations

Students at Shrewsbury High School will:

- Participate in collaborative and cooperative learning.
- Demonstrate self-discipline and personal responsibility for learning.
- Show respect for individual abilities and diverse cultures.

Civic Expectations

Students at Shrewsbury High School will:

- Demonstrate the rights and responsibilities of a democratic society.
- Exhibit a commitment to community involvement.

Summer Reading

As the summer winds down it is important to recognize that students should have all of their Summer Reading completed before returning to school. Students in grades 9-12 are required to read books related to the curriculum for their English class. These books correspond with the student's course request, teacher recommendation and subsequent placement into AP, Honors, A-Level or B-Level English classes. All students will be assessed on their English reading in their English class.

Furthermore, students are required to participate in the school wide summer reading program. This program allows students to choose books they wish to read from a comprehensive list. Students in grades 10,11, and 12 are required to read two books: one book from the List-A and one book from the List-B. These lists can be found on the Shrewsbury High School web site. Students in grade 9 are required to read one book from List-A and *Hiroshima* by John Hersey. Freshmen will be assessed on *Hiroshima* in their World Civilization classes. All students will be assessed on the school wide summer reading soon after the start of school and will be required to register on-line.

Below is important information regarding registration for the school wide summer reading:

1. All students must register on-line using their school identification number.
2. Registration will open August 23, 2006.
3. The registration link "Summer Reading Registration" will be located on the Shrewsbury High School homepage.
4. Students do not need to register for the English book they have read.
5. All Freshmen will only need to register for one book from List-A.

6. Students who cannot register from home will be able to register at school during a study or during their lunch.
7. Students should reference Summer Reading List-A and List-B to identify their book title and the corresponding book number. Students will need the book number to register. Please make note of the number of the book you have read before registering. All books from List-A have an A preceding the number and all book from List-B have a B preceding the number.

If you should have any questions please contact Mrs. Kathy Granados at 508-841-8810.

Happy reading!

Principal's Roundtable Dates

In an effort to foster open communication with parents and other members of the community, monthly roundtables have been scheduled. These events will alternate between mornings and evenings to accommodate different schedules. Each roundtable will be an open forum with occasional agenda items added when needed and appropriate. Please consider joining me on some or all of the following dates in the Class of '02 Conference Room:

September 25th: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
 October 30th: 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
 November 27th: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
 December 18th: 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
 January 29th: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
 February 26th: 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
 March 26th: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
 April 30th: 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
 NO MAY MEETING
 June 4th: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Welcome New Faculty!

Julie Benson	Science
Kristine Cobb	Visual Arts
Monica Cox	Social Sciences
Erin Davis	Social Sciences
Paul DePalo	English
Danielle DePeter	English
Colleen Early	PE/Health
Rory Hatfield	English
Donald Lavin	Tech Ed
Stephanie Mansfield	English
Erica Marois	Science
Justin Marra	Social Sciences
Jessica Reagey	Guidance
Sharon Roland	Science

Fall Festival 2006

September 23-October 1, 2006

Please visit the Spirit of Shrewsbury website for the complete list information
www.SpiritofShrewsbury.com

Spirit of Shrewsbury Cruisin'

9/23 Oak Middle School

Spirit of Shrewsbury Fall Festival Craft Fair

9/30 Oak Middle School Gym and Cafeteria

Scarecrow Contest and Display

9/26-October 27

The 10th Annual 5K Road Race and Fun walk will

be held on **Saturday September 30th at 10:00 a.m. (RAIN or SHINE) at DEAN PARK in SHREWSBURY.** The course is 3.1 miles. Entrance

forms are available at the Shrewsbury Parks and Recreation Dept., Town Hall, 100 Maple Ave. or visit www.townisp.com/~KofC4181 or www.SpiritofShrewsbury.com. Entrance fees:

Adults \$10.00 pre-event, \$12.00 race day; under 18 & walkers pre-event \$6.00, race day \$8.00. Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus. Proceeds will benefit the Shrewsbury Special Needs Program and Scholarship Fund. T-shirts provided to the first 200 entrants. The Shrewsbury Knights of Columbus sponsors the 5K Road Race as part of the Spirit of Shrewsbury Fall Festival.

SHS Athletic Booster Association Membership

Please join!

Family membership \$10.00

Through the membership drive and fundraisers we raise money to support the athletic department.

Family name _____

Student name:

Year of graduation:

Student name:

Year of graduation:

Student name:

Year of graduation:

Please send a check made out to SHS Athletic

Boosters: Jason Costa
 Shrewsbury High School
 64 Holden St.